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Strawberry Plants

Raspberry Plants, Asparagus
Roots, Etc.

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Hall's True-to-Name Plants are Sure to Grow
and Produce Big Crops

J. KEIFFORD HALL

STRAWBERRY PLANT SPECIALIST

Rhodesdale, . . . Maryland

I Have Unsurpassed Facilities for Prompt and Safe Shipments to all
Points. I Always Secure the Lowest Rate Possible.

FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS.

The time has arrived for the presenting of my 1918 catalog of Small Fruits, etc. I appreciate every customer and friend and I take this opportunity to thank you. To those who have never purchased any stock of me, I am confident if you will give me a trial order you will be a yearly customer.

You do not run any risk by purchasing stock of me for my plants are A No. 1, in every respect.

All stock is inspected and shipped under the laws of the different States.

I appreciate the confidence the public has in me and the stock I send out. Without this, I couldn't succeed. It shows that I give a customer a **dollar's worth of goods for his dollar.**

I thank every one again for the liberal patronage in 1917, and should you give me your orders in 1918 it will be treated with the same courtesy as in the past.

Yours for a profitable year,

J. KEIFFORD HALL,

Rhodesdale, Maryland.

Certificate of Nursery Inspection.

To Whom it May Concern:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That on the 25th day of August, 1917, we examined the Nursery Stock of J. Keifford Hall, growing in his nurseries at Rhodesdale, County of Dorchester, State of Maryland, in accordance with the law of Maryland, 1898, Chapter 289, Section 58, and that said nurseries and premises are apparently free, so far as can be determined by inspection from the San Jose Scale, Peach yellows, Pear Blight, and other dangerously injurious pests and plant diseases.

This Certificate is valid after August 1st, 1918, and does not include nursery stock not grown within this State, unless such stock is previously covered by certificate and accepted by the State Entomologist and State Pathologist.

Earnest N. Cory, State Entomologist.

C. E. Temple, State Pathologist.

College Park, Md., September 25, 1917.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

All of my plants are grown on a light sandy loam, which makes the plant roots bright and long. When properly planted they will stand the drouth and continue to grow. I grow my own stock and do not dig until ordered, this makes them fresh. My plants are put in the best condition possible, by experienced hands. I claim I send to my customers as good plants as can be procured of any nurseryman in this country, and the many testimonials that I receive is convincing evidence. Give me your order and become a yearly customer.

I do not attempt to grow all the varieties that are grown. I try to grow the ones that I can honestly recommend to the public. Please do not order plants that I have not listed unless you will allow me to substitute.

MY MOTTO. Once a customer, always a customer.

PARCELS POST. My mail package is light, and yet substantial that I can deliver plants to your door in perfect shape, and I don't believe there are any better plants to be obtained anywhere.

BY FREIGHT. I ship plants this way, but it is always with the understanding that it is at purchaser's risk.

PAYMENT MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE, but orders will be booked and held, provided a remittance is enclosed with order, and when balance is paid order will be forwarded.

C. O. D. ORDERS will be accepted and promptly filled, but when made out for a large order, a part of the money must accompany order, ar satisfactory reference given.

SUBSTITUTION. It is not always possible for us to have plants of all the varieties we have listed, late in the season, but if allowed we can often substitute a better variety and thus save time, which is very important. Please indicate in order if you object to substitution. If you don't we will take it for granted that substitution is satisfactory.

REFERENCE (By permission). Cashier Bank of Marion, Marion Station, Md., Postmaster, Rhodesdale, Md.

NURSERY INSPECTION. Copy of certificate attached to each shipment.

STRAWBERRIES should be grown by every person who has a rod of ground. They can produce on almost any soil, and there is no fruit so delicious or healthful. If you had no Strawberries on your table last year, don't repeat the loss this season.

HOW BEST TO REMIT. By registered letter, bank draft, check to my order, postoffice money order or express money order.

LOOK. I do not dig plants before order is received, neither spring or fall.

CUSTOMERS. Your order, when received, will be shipped as prompt as possible. I am rushed at times, but will get your order out at first opportunity; I believe in prompt shipments.

SHIPPING SEASON. In fall from August 20th to November 30th, Spring from February 1st to May 10th. It frequently happens that I can furnish plants to Southern customers all through the winter, note a time when the ground is not frozen.

TESTIMONIALS. For the lack of space I am only using a few of the many testimonials. Be sure and read them.

GUARANTEE. All plants are guaranteed to be true to name, and I will replace any plants found otherwise, but in no case will I be responsible for damage beyond first cost. Safe arrival of all plants sent by mail or express.

NURSEYRMEN and DEALER. Send me your Want List. If you want something that will please your customers, you need not go any further. I guarantee you a square deal.

A Few Remarks About HALL'S TRUE TO NAME PLANTS.

I think it very important to grow good, strong, healthy, **true-to-name**, free from disease stock. I only ship such plants that I would be willing to set myself. My one object is to please all customers, whether order is large or small.

And when you buy plants of me you will not be disappointed at fruiting time like many berry growers are by having plants all mixed. My life's experience has eliminated all this.

I do not have any complaints from my customers, but I have many letters complaining about plants bought of other dealers.

I am not infallible and should a mistake occur it is mutually agreed that I will not be responsible beyond first cost.

STOP! READ! ACT!

There is a serious shortage of plants this spring and if you do not place your order at once you will not be able to get them later in the season. **My advice to all is place order quick.** My supply is very limited. Those that order early I will hold them until they say ship. You will find my prices are higher; this is caused by labor costing double, packages and everything higher.

STRAWBERRIES

DESCRIPTION OF VARIETIES.

✓ **BRANDYWINE**—(Perfect). Late. Fruit extra large and very firm, has unequaled shipping qualities. It is standard variety the country over. Very productive.

✓ **JOE JOHNSON, Big Joe**—(Perfect. Late. Ripens with Chesapeake. Fruit is firm and of large size, has a good flavor, no green tips, wonderfully productive; plants are strong growers, thrives on any soil that will produce strawberries. If you are not growing Joe Johnson, plant heavily of them this spring.

✓ **EXCELSIOR**—(Perfect). Extra early. One of the first to ripen, an old standard variety suitable to all sections of the country where strawberries can be grown.

✓ **KLONDIKE**—(Perfect. Medium early. Fruit large and very firm. One of the leading early varieties here as Selbyville, Del., the largest strawberry center in the world.

✓ **CHESTER**.—(Perfect.) The Chester was originated at Chester, Pa., and has been grown for several years by two or three men in Kent county, who are expert growers. They had never sold many plants before this time. It is said to be better than Chesapeake and I have it from good authority. If it is it sure is a dandy. It is a mid-season variety, ripens a few days before Chesapeake, makes good beds of very large deep-rooted plants; very productive and larger than Chesapeake. Very firm, good shipper. I believe it a good one. Give it a trial.

✓ **KELLOGG'S PRIZE**.—(Imp.) This new variety, introduced by Mr. Kellogg, of Michigan, seems to be just what we have been looking for for a long time—that is, a good, imperfect variety. It has more good qualities than nine-tenths of the varieties that I have fruited. Good size, solid, heavy cropper, and a strong grower. I should judge that a field of this variety, fertilized with Joe Johnson, or Chesapeake, would be about the best of anything in strawberries. Be sure to try this one.

Dear Sir:—

The strawberry plants arrived in fine shape and are doing fine considering the dry weather. I could not wish for plants to come in better shape.

Yours respectfully,

J. Dougharty.
Boletourt Co., Va.

DR. BURRELL. (Perfect.) This berry was originated by Dr. Burrell, who originated the Senator Dunlap, which has been worth millions to berry growers. He says it is a scientific cross of Senator Dunlap and Crescent. In plant growth it is a marvel. Its foliage is large and of a beautiful dark green. In the production of fruit it surpasses either of its parents. Its berries are large and beautifully formed. Color a deep glossy red, a trifle lighter than Dunlap. The meat is solid and rich. The berries are excellent shippers and splendid keepers. The Calyx is a bright green, seeds yellow. This is a strong bisexual variety and has a long blooming season, making it unequaled for a pollenizer for pistillate varieties. I think it worthy a trial.

Dear Sir:—

The berry plants I purchased of you were fine. They arrived in fine shape. They were put up in first class shape They grew off rapidly. The Norwood does fine on this soil.

Yours very truly,

S. C. Carrington.
Taylor Co., W. Va.

MAGIC GEM.—(Perfect)—Introduced by R. M. Kellogg Co., and described by them as follows:—Magic Gem grows the largest foliage we have ever seen. Many of the leaves measure four inches across the center, and nearly six inches in length. The unusually large leaves, together with the long leaf stems furnish a perfect protection to the abundance of berries this variety produces. No other variety with which we are acquainted will produce more large fancy berries per acre than the Magic Gem. The berries are not only large and abundant but are beautifully formed. The berries are highly colored, being dark red with glossy surface, and bright yellow seeds, which are imbedded in the surface just deep enough to produce a beautiful contrast. The flavor of the fruit is mild and delicious. The calyx is dark, rich green, which adds to the beauty of the berry. The berries are very firm and ship exceedingly well.

As grown here the plants are extra large, good plant makers with tall heavy foliage and deeply rooted. The fruit was of large size and excellent quality. Try the Magic Gem.

MISSIONARY—(Perfect). Early. For the early market this variety is known as Queen while Klondike is King for the South. Both varieties are now being extensively planted all over the country. Fruit is large, firm and beautifully shaped. Very productive.

Dear Sir:—

The strawberry plants I bought of you will say they were fine indeed. I have the nicest patch in our section. I am well pleased with the plants You may use this if you choose.

Respectfully,

Wesley Sinsel.
Hancock Co., Maine.

MASCOT—(Perfect). Late. Begins ripening about three days after Gandy first begins ripening. Fruit is very firm, and as large as any we know of. We have extensively planted this variety for fruiting purposes. It is a good one and has come to stay. Bears big crops of big, firm, red berries. Extensively planted in all strawberry sections of the country.

NEW YORK—(Perfect). Mid-season. A popular mid-season variety. Plants are large and healthy. Fruit very large and ordinary firm. Noted for producing extra large crops on very poor soils. Extensively planted all over the northern half of the United States.

PRIDE OF MICHIGAN—Same as New York.

HUNDRED DOLLAR—Same as New York.

McKINLEY—Same as New York.

UNCLE JIM—Same as New York.

OSWEGO—Same as New York.

RYCKMAN—Same as New York.

GANDY—(Imperfect). Late. For this locality, and many other sections of the country this is one of the best late varieties. Fruit is very large and very firm. Is noted for firmness and good shipping qualities.

Dear Sir:—

The berry plants I bought of you last spring were received in fine shape and grew fine. I expect to order of you this spring. Please send catalog and price list when issued.

Yours respectfully,

Jos. P. Jones.
Palm Beach Co., Fla.

NORWOOD—(Perfect). Mid-season. One of the very largest strawberries grown. Fruit bright red of good quality. Does not do well south of Pennsylvania.

AROMA—(Perfect). Late. Planted in all sections of the country, especially in the middle West and Southern States. Fruit is large, but not of the largest. Quality unsurpassed. Very productive.

READ THIS TESTIMONIAL.

Burlington Co., N. J.

Dear Sir:—

The berry plants arrived in good condition and I liked them all right and they certainly look fine. Will want more plants in the spring.

Yours truly,

D. Taylor Deviney.
Merrimak Co., N. H.

EARLY OZARK—(Perfect). Extra Early. The best early variety for the Northern half of the country. It is enormously productive of berries larger than Klondyke, of the Excelsior type, but twice as large and very firm. Plants are big and strong. A very good variety.

FINDALL—(Imperfect). Mid-season. Fruit is large, very firm, a good shipper. The berries are bright red with a large cap which draws immediate attention. Suitable for all soils.

GLEN MARY—(Perfect). Mid-season. Like Klondike, a perfect flowering variety but not suited to plant with imperfect flowering sorts, as it only furnishes enough pollen for its own use. A standard variety throughout the Northern half of the country. Fruit is extra large, firm. Always brings top prices.

Dear Sir:—

In reply to your inquiry regarding the plants I bought, will say the packing could not be excelled and the plants were in good condition when they arrived here. I wish you could see the rows of matted plants, solid 2 ft. rows. Made an extra good showing.

Respectfully yours,

C. T. Piper.
Osseola, Fla.

HAVERLAND—(Imperfect). Mid-season. Fruit very large and conical; plants strong growers. An old standard variety that has been tested for over a generation and is just as good today as it ever was.

REWASTICO—(Perfect). Late. Introduced by W. F. Allen. Fruit is large and very firm. A good plant maker. In fact a good all around berry.

I have had very bad luck in years past having plants sent from different firms, as the crowns have het in transit especially when the plants have come from long distances. But I must say in the 3000 strawberry plants sent me not one crown was het, surely you know how to pack them. The plants have made a fine growth and I expect a good crop.

Yours truly,

E. E. Davis.
Allegany Co., New York.

Dear Sir:—

Received the plants in fine shape. Your packing was excellent and they were as nice plants as I have seen. Thanking you for the care taken in packing the plants, I am

Yours truly,

A. B. Robertson.
Good Ground, N. Y.

PRIDE OF SOMERSET—Extra early. A good variety. Fruit is ordinary size, good quality, firm and very productive.

STEVENS' LATE CHAMPION.—(Perfect). Late. Extensively planted throughout the Northern States. A descendant of the Gandy, but will produce twice as many berries of large size, but not as firm as Gandy.

TENNESSEE PROLIFIC—(Perfect). Mid-season. A well-known standard variety. Like Parsons' Beauty, succeeds over a great extent of the country. Fruit is very large, bright red, ordinary firm. Very productive.

BUBACH.—(Imperfect). Mid-season. An old standard variety well-known the country over. Fruit extra large, bright red; foliage very strong, of dark green color. Very productive.

Dear Sir:—

I thank you for filling my orders so promptly and satisfactorily during the past spring and fall. Your plants have been first class in every respect. I do not know how you succeeded in growing such strong, vigorous plants in such extreme weather conditions. I shall probably need several hundred thousand strawberry plants from you during the coming season and I would like to have you quote me prices as soon as possible. Wishing you success, I am

Very truly,

Harry L. Squires.
Coles Co., Ill.

SENATOR DUNLAP—(Perfect). Early Mid-season. A reliable market berry. One that succeeds in all parts of the country. Very productive. Fruit is medium to large, very firm and attractive. Always sells for top prices.

LADY CORNEILLE—(Perfect). Early. Fruit is large and well shaped, firm and a good shipper. Plants free from disease. Extensively planted in the South.

Dear Sir:—

The strawberry plants I bought of you last spring were received in good condition and were a nice lot of plants; they made fine growth and looked well this fall.

Respectfully,

Lewis H. Dutton.
Polk Co., Fla.

Dear Sir:—

If strawberry plants is what you want, write J Keifford Hall, Rhodesdale, Md., for true to name, good pack, and prompt delivery. I have used his plants for a number of years. I am sure they will please you.

Yours respectfully,

L. A. Bennett.
Lade Co., Fla.

NICK OHMER—(Perfect). Ripens between Parsons' Beauty and Gandy, just at the time late berries are most sought for. An old standard variety. Fruit is very large and firm, a general favorite in any locality.

CLIMAX—(Perfect). Early. A very heavy yielder of very large, round berries, firm and a good shipper.

EARLY JERSEY GIANT—(Perfect). Early. Originated in New Jersey. The plants are strong growers. Fruit is very large and conical, with a sharply pointed tip, has a rich mild flavor.

WM. BELT—(Perfect). Mid-season. Fruit very large and firm, of a delicate flavor. Succeeds on a great variety of soils. A very good one.

Dear Sir:—

The strawberry plants arrived in good condition and were immediately planted in well prepared ground and with a good season have made a remarkable growth. Although planted but five weeks ago they are already white with bloom and not a single plant missing. It looks like strawberries in the near future and I am certainly well pleased with my purchase from you.

Very truly,

W. B. Deming.
Accomac Co., Va.

SUPERIOR—(Perfect). Early. A good plant maker. Fruit is medium to large and very firm.

LADY THOMPSON—(Perfect). Medium early. Fruit large, pink, ordinary firm. An old standard variety for the South.

MYER'S No. 1—(Perfect). Late. Originated in Delaware. Seems to succeed on all soils. Will bear heavy crops of ordinary size fruit, let the weather be dry or wet. Largely planted in Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:—

In recommending the Pride of Somerset you cannot praise it too highly, it is worthy of all praise. I fruited the Pride of Somerset last season, the first that was ever fruited in Accomac county. It was not only the earliest of all berries but brought a premium of from 2 to 3 cents per quart over all other berries shipped from this station. I am setting them more extensively this season. You can use this testimony if you desire.

Respectfully,

R. J. Corbin.
Pike Co., Pa.

SAMPLE—(Imperfect). Medium late. Extensively planted throughout the North, Middle and Western States. Very productive of large well-made berries, firm enough for long distance shipping. A standard variety.

PARSONS' BEAUTY—(Perfect). Mid-season. A very strong pollenizer. Fruit is very large, firm enough for long distance shipping. A good all-around berry. Extensively planted all over the country.

WARREN—(Perfect). Mid-season. Originated in Massachusetts. A good variety for the North. Fruit is large of good quality.

CLYDE—(Perfect). Early mid-season. Does not do well unless planted on rich, moist soil then it is wonderfully prolific and yields great crops of big, red berries.

Dear Sir:—

The plants I ordered the past fall arrived in A No. 1 condition, every plant was a well rooted stocky plant. My land is a moral loam, with a little sand in it. The Lady Corneille I think ranks first. I picked ripe berries off of them eight weeks after planting. Then comes the Missionary, Early Ozark, Rewastico and Heritage, the Marshall, Big Joe and several others have not started yet, some of them may surpass the ones I have mentioned.

Yours respectfully,

F. N. Hess.
Palm Beach Co., Fla.

SUCCESS—(Perfect). Mid-season. One of the best mid-season varieties. Makes wonderful yields on any soil that will produce strawberries of any kind. Fruit is large to extra large, bright scarlet color; flavor is mild, sweet and rich; ordinary firm.

THREE W'S—(Perfect). Mid-season. Originated in Tennessee. Plants very strong and vigorous; fruit is of large size, good color, ordinary firm.

Dear Sir:—

The strawberry plants shipped on the 29th received today and I was a little afraid that they would not be in the best of condition. On opening the package I found that they were in excellent condition. I really consider myself fortunate in ordering plants from you. I assure you no one else shall supply me with strawberry plants in the future. Those that I received are doing great.

Yours truly,

Frank Marcinski.
Rutland Co., Vt.

MARSHALL—(Perfect). Mid-season. A good plant maker of choice, strong, well-rooted plants; fruit large to very large, colored through and through, flavor as fine as one could wish; very firm and a good shipper. A standard variety.

ABINGTON—(Perfect). Mid-season. Similar to Bubach but much firmer and brighter in color. Plants very prolific; fruit very large. A good one.

CHESAPEAKE—(Perfect). Late. Ripens a little earlier than Gandy, but holds out about as long and much more productive, without green tips. Has a beautiful appearance, extra large, even in shape and uniform in size; plants are strong and healthy, dark green in color, rich and vigorous, no rust, no disease, in fact no weakness of any kind. This is a good one and is well known and extensively planted where strawberries are grown.

If you want strawberry plants true to name, at a very reasonable price, and with the best possible service that a human being can render, then J. Keifford Hall, of Rhodesdale, Md., is the individual from whom you can have such a want fulfilled. This has been my experience in dealing with him. Harry U. Bell.
Pinellas Co., Fla.

MATTHEWS—(Perfect). Early as Excelsior. Heavy cropper and large quantities ripen at once. Very rich in pollen. Large size; color a beautiful red, with a large green cap. Solid, very productive. Good plant maker. Do not fail to give it a trial.

KELLOGG'S PREMIER—(Perfect). Early. Very rich in pollen. The fruit begins to ripen with earliest varieties and continues until the latest are at their best. This is truly a large early variety. The fruit is deeply and richly colored and very firm, which makes it an extra shipper. Very productive. The quality of fruit is superb. Foliage a light green and tall, protects the load of fruit. Good plant maker. Flavor delicious. I consider it the Premier of early berries.

Dear Sir:—

The plants I ordered from you in November arrived in good condition and were the best I ever saw, they grew off rapidly in spite of the cold unfavorable conditions and are at this date loaded with bloom. Hall's plants are good enough for me.

Yours truly,

S. T. Fansler.

Suffolk Co., New York.

Dear Sir:—

KLONDYKE—(Perfect). Of Southern origin. Production firm. Brilliantly colored and famous on all markets as a reshipper. Great plant maker. All commercial growers should plant it.

PRIDE OF CUMBERLAND—(Perfect). Originated in New Jersey. It is large, uniform in size, resembling the Gandy. It is 10 days earlier than Gandy. The cap is very large, making the berry very pretty and showey. Color, a deep red, and unexcelled for shipping. Plant very vigorous and free from rust and remarkably productive. Most all fruit is held off of ground, which is very much in its favor. Really I think it a great berry for family garden and commercial growers. Order some; you won't regret it.

WILSON—(Perfect). An old standard variety. Very productive or medium large berries of good quality. Good plant maker of large plants.

Dear Sir:—

The 2000 strawberry plants I ordered from you last spring arrived in excellent condition. They were all fine, healthy plants with an abundance of roots, and in spite of the rather unfavorable season have made good growth. Your prices are very low for such good plants. I have never received better plants from anyone regardless of price.

Yours truly,

P. R. Wilcox
Northampton Co., Pa.

HERITAGE—(Perfect). Originated in New Jersey and is popular with commercial growers. It does not make as many plants as some varieties but are extra large with tall, green foliage and succeed on any soil. It ripens medium early and is very productive; large, of even size and shape, color a beautiful crimson and of fine quality. Give it a trial.

MICHAEL'S EARLY—(Perfect). Extra bright scarlet, conical—an old and popular variety and an excellent table berry of good flavor. Those who have a garden and want a few for eating purposes will do well to try it.

HELEN DAVIS—(Perfect). Fruited here last season and it gave us a good crop of large, dark red berries of excellent quality. It has been thoroughly tested on all kinds of soil for several seasons and has never failed to produce a large crop of extra large berries when other well-known varieties were almost an entire failure. It is not easily killed by frost and the fruit is produced in clusters on large, strong, fruit stalks, is perfectly formed of large size, red to the center and of highly delicious flavor unknown to any other variety.

BISMARCK—(Perfect). Fruit produced in abundance, outyielding Bubach. Shape obtuse, conical, never coxcombed; the heaviest, most solid berry ever grown or handled. Color bright scarlet, no green tips, very firm, good flavor, season medium to very late, larger in size than Bubach.

FALL OR EVERBEARING STRAWBERRIES.

They are no longer an experiment or novelty. They are being extensively planted for market purposes as well as home use. To realize their worth and place in the strawberry family, it is to try them, and see the great crops they bear in the summer and fall months, until it freezes. The Progressive and Superb are the best of all fall-bearing. No home should be without them.

Dear Sir:—

The 1000 Everbearing Strawberry plants were received on Friday, April 14th and put out on the following day. They came in excellent shape notwithstanding their long journey. Thanking you for your prompt filling of my order and the nice plants. I remain respectfully yours,

Leroy E Parker,
Skagit Co., D. C.

PROGRESSIVE—(Perfect). A genuine fall bearing. This is, without a doubt, the best one; plants of good size, deep rooted and makes as many plants as most of the standard varieties. The fruit is of medium size, dark red and the flavor is unsurpassed. To obtain best results, keep blossoms off until August 1st, then when they begin to ripen you will have something you will be proud of. The runners from the young plants bear a nice lot of fruit. Be sure and order some of these plants.

SUPERB—(Perfect). Another fall-bearing and a good one. The young plants don't produce fruit the first season. The second season it produces fruit the same as any other variety, and in the fall produces a full crop. The fruit is large. Dark red, good quality, and a very heavy cropper. Plants strong and healthy.

Dear Sir:—

The berry plants I purchased of you last year were extra nice plants and arrived in good condition just as though they were dug the morning that I had received them. They made a good growth and only few plants missing, and, those missing were mostly eaten by grub worms. If we need berry plants in the future we will surely purchase them of you, as long as we can get such nice plants as we have been getting in the past year.

Yours truly, C. H. Christine.

Dear Sir:—

The fall-bearing strawberry plants received in fine shape. They were well rooted plants and grew well and had fruit on them beyond all expectations. They made large plants and many of them had large numbers of berries on them at one time and a plenty of them when the freeze came. Berries grew much larger the last of the season

Yours,

Geo. W. Sargent.
Perry Co., Pa.

ASPARAGUS ROOTS.

When planting Asparagus roots, set four to six inches deep, and about 12 inches apart in the row, covering with only three inches of soil at first and filling the trenches as the plants grow.

The Asparagus bed is apt to be neglected in the early fall. Before the first of September the tops should be cut, and the bed or field cleared of weeds. It is highly important that all seed should be taken off, as the greatest enemy the Asparagus has in the way of growth is weeds, and it is almost impossible to get clear of superfluous plants when once established. When this work is finished cover the bed to the depth of three inches with coarse manure, which will not only enrich the soil, but it will keep out the frost, which is highly, essential.

The first work in the spring should be to remove all the covering except the fine manure, which should be carefully forked in, so that the crowns will not be injured by the prongs of the fork. Forking the beds should not be neglected, as the early admission of the sun and rain into the ground induces the plants to throw up shoots of superior size. Another step in the right direction is to keep the ground entirely free from weeds the entire season, as these take from the plants the strength required for their own growth and the Asparagus needs it all.

PRICES: One year, 100 75c.; 1000 \$3.00. Two year, 100 \$1.00; 1000 \$4.00.

Prices on application for smaller or larger lots than quoted above.

CONOVER'S COLLOSAL. Large, rapid grower, productive and of very fine quality.

PALMETTO. Of Southern origin; a variety of excellent quality hardy, very large. All who have used it pronounce it very fine.

GIANT ARGENTEUIL. This variety is largely grown in France, and has become adapted to our soil and climate, is noted for its earliness, productiveness and immense size of stalks. Remarkably healthy.

BARR'S MAMMOTH. Early and very large; makes a rapid growth. A general favorite.

My plants are extra large. Samples will be sent if requested.

PRICE LIST OF STRAWBERRY, RASPBERRY, ETC.

Early to Mid-Season	25	50	100	250	500	1000
Matthews*	\$.30	\$.50	\$1.00	\$1.75	\$2.75	\$5.00
Early Jersey Giant*30	.50	.90	1.50	2.25	4.00
Pride of Somerset*25	.40	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50
Early Ozark*30	.50	.90	1.50	2.25	4.00
Excelsior*25	.40	.75	1.25	1.75	3.00
Missionary*25	.40	.75	1.00	1.50	2.75
Climax*25	.40	.75	1.25	2.00	3.25
Michels Early*25	.40	.75	1.25	1.75	3.00
Kellogg's Premier*40	.50	1.00	1.75	2.75	5.00
Lady Comeille*25	.40	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50
Lady Thompson*25	.40	.75	1.25	1.75	3.00
Klondyke*25	.40	.75	1.25	1.75	3.00
Senator Dunlap*25	.40	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50
Helen Davis*25	.40	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50
Superior*25	.40	.75	1.25	1.75	3.00
Mid-Season.						
Bismark*25	.40	.75	1.25	1.75	3.00
Myers No. 1*25	.40	.75	1.25	1.75	3.00
Haverland*30	.50	.85	1.50	2.25	4.00
Tenn. Prolific*25	.40	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50
Glen Mary*30	.50	.90	1.50	2.25	4.00
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Bubach*30	.50	1.00	1.75	2.75	5.00
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Chesapeake*30	.50	1.00	1.75	2.75	5.00
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Raspberry Plants.

St. Regis60	1.00	1.75	3.50	6.50	12.00
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Those marked (Imp.) have imperfect blossoms and should have some perfect blossom variety to plant with them.

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Some Planting Suggestions.

All varieties of the Strawberry give the greatest yield and the largest berries when grown in rich soil; hence no pains should be spared in preparing the bed carefully before planting, by digging or plowing deeply and turning under a liberal application of well-rotted manure. Pulverize the surface soil thoroughly with harrow and rake, and if a top-dressing of ground bone can be applied, it will be found a great benefit at fruiting time. Select a location where the soil is moist and deep if possible—moist and yet where water does not stand near or upon the surface. In such a soil well-enriched, Strawberries delight and give marvelous results. They will, however, succeed upon any soil if well manured. Strawberries do not succeed when planted in shady locations; hence in selecting a plot for them be careful to avoid places that are shaded by trees.

For hill culture in the family garden, set plants in rows two feet apart and the plants fifteen inches apart in the rows; or if to be worked by horse and cultivator, have the rows three feet and the plants one foot apart in the row. In either case, cut off the runners as they appear. If to be grown in matted rows plant in rows three and one-half or four feet apart and the plants fifteen inches apart in the rows, permitting the runners to set in the row so as to be about six inches apart each way. The after culture consists in keeping the soil mellow and free from weeds by frequent hoeing and cultivation. If you live in the north, where you are subject to severe freezes, I would advise you to mulch your plants. At the approach of winter (as soon as the ground is frozen sufficiently to support the weight of horse and cart) cover the entire bed with straw or other loose light material. Light strawy manure is excellent for this purpose, and the soluble portion leaches into the soil and affords nourishment to the plants, while the fibrous portion remains upon the surface as a mulch. Evergreen branches are very useful for holding the mulch in place and are of themselves a protection. When the plants start growth in spring, rake the mulch from off the plants sufficiently to permit them to push through it, and leave it on the surface about the plants to protect the fruit and keep it clean and also keep the soil moist and cool. An application of unleached wood-ashes or muriate of potash along the rows very early in spring, just before a rainfall, will be found to increase the size, beauty and flavor of the berries.

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Plants of all kinds are now admitted to the mails as Fourth Class Matter; maximum weight 50 pounds in the first and second zones, 20 pounds in all other zones. We cannot send any stock in Canada by mail, it must go by express as plants from the United States are excluded from the mails by the Canadian authorities. We are giving estimate of weight of plants when packed for shipment but as plants vary so much it is impossible to give the exact weight as some varieties grow very much larger than others. Please be sure and send enough postage, if you send more than is required, all over if only one cent, will be returned to you—we will not keep one cent of your money. Please remember that the full amount of postage has to be paid when we send plants etc. by mail, and if you do not send enough to pay postage, your order will go by Express Collect, as we cannot keep accounts and send bills for small amounts of postage. In all cases shipments weighing 6 pounds or more, go more cheaply by express than by mail to points west of the Mississippi River. Packages of any considerable size can be shipped better to all points by express than by mail, and usually at less cost, as express rates have lately been cut from 20 to 50 per cent. on trees and plants, which means quite an item for fruit growers all over the country.

FALL PLANTS.

I am making this one of my specialties. I am in the right climate to furnish plants of the very best quality at this season of the year. I will furnish plants the last of August. You will have to write for prices as I do not issue a price list until about the first of September. I do not like to furnish plants until about Sept. 15th, but will do so if my customers cannot wait until then. I have shipped fall plants from Maine to California and they have given universal satisfaction. When making up your fall list, send it to me and I am sure you will be pleased with the stock I send you.

When you receive this catalogue and you do not want to order this spring, put it somewhere so you can find it in the fall. Prices you find here are not fall prices. There is a great loss in taking up plants in the fall so I am compelled to charge a higher price to insure you of getting nothing but well rooted plants that will live through the winter. Please bear this in mind—when you buy of HALL, spring or fall, you get what you buy, and plants that will grow and produce large crops.

GIANT HIMALAYA BERRY.

FRUITS FOR FOUR MONTHS.

This wonderful berry which is sometimes called Grape-Vine Berry was recently introduced from the cold regions of the Himalaya Mountains. There are several different forms of it, but this one seems to be the only one of genuine value. It grows like a grape vine, making a growth of twenty-five feet, and can be trained to a trellis of any kind.

The fruit is large black in color, almost coreless, and unsurpassed for eating, picked fresh from vines or cooked, canned or preserved in any form. Plants do well in the hot, dry sections of the South and West and are making wonderful records in the Middle, Northern and Eastern States.

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